BEFORE

THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF

SOUTH CAROLINA

DOCKET NO. 97-114-G - ORDER NO. 97-1057

DECEMBER 22, 1997

IN RE: Request of 17 People Residing on Baker (Control People Residing on

This matter comes before the Public Service Commission of South Carolina (the Commission) for further consideration of this request for provision of gas service by South Carolina Electric & Gas Company (SCE&G) to the 17 residents of Baker Road in Jefferson, South Carolina. Order No. 97-574, issued on July 7, 1997 granted this service if all 17 persons were willing to take the service and pay a \$300 contribution in aid of construction (CIAC) for construction of a gas line in the area.

Subsequently, it was determined that not all seventeen persons under consideration were willing to accept gas service and pay the CIAC. Mr. Maurice Mitten, who was one of those very interested in the service, then came forward and made a further offer to pay \$300 for 10 people to take gas, for a total of \$3000 towards the \$5100 cost for the natural gas line installation.

Unfortunately, it was determined by survey that not enough people were interested in the gas service, even under the conditions described above. For this reason, we hereby deny Mr.

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Mitten's request, and hold that SCE&G does not have to provide gas service to the Baker Road area of Jefferson, South Carolina.

This Order shall remain in full force and effect until further Order of the Commission.

BY ORDER OF THE COMMISSION:

Chairman

ATTEST:

Deputy

Executiv# Director

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